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1. PARA 4 REFTEL REPORTS THAT UNDRO WAS REQUESTED AND BERKOL AGREED TO QTE PREPARE A BUDGET DOCUMENT FOR CONSIDERATION BY 31ST GA. UNQTE AS ADDRESSEES AWARE, UNDRO INCLUDED AS SECTION 17 OF UN PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 1976-77 WHICH WAS APPROVED BY GA AT 30TH SESSION. OUR UNDERSTANDING OF USG POSITION-- WHICH WE HAVE PRESSED FORCEFULLY HERE -- IS THAT ONCE BIENNIAL PROGRAM BUDGET IS APPROVED BY UNGA IT WILL NOT BE MODIFIED EXCEPT BY SUBMISSION BY SYG OF SUPPLEMENTAL REQUESTS TO ACCOMMODATE NEW REQUIREMENTS RESULTING FROM SUBSEQUENT DECISIONS OF GOVERNING BODIES.

2. RE OPERATIVE PARA OF DRAFT RESOLUTION CONTAINED REFTEL, QUESTION OF QTE MOST APPROPRIATE MEANS FOR THE FINANCING AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1977 OF THE COORDINATOR'S OFFICE UNQTE BEING CONSIDERED AT 31ST UNGA IS PREMATURE AND INAPPROPRIATE. QUESTION SHOULD BE ADDRESSED AT 32ND UNGA WITHIN CONTEXT OF SYG'S 1978-79 UN PROGRAM

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BUDGET.

3. BOTH MOVES IN PARAS 1 AND 2 ABOVE RUN DIRECTLY
COUNTER TO ESTABLISHED PROCEDURES WITHIN UN ON PROGRAM
BUDGET MATTERS WHICH USG HAS ACTIVELY WORKED TO IMPLEMENT.
FOR USG TO SUPPORT THESE MOVES LIKELY RESULT IS TO
FURTHER ERODE RATIONAL HANDLING OF PROGRAM BUDGET
QUESTIONS AND OUR ABILITY TO DEAL WITH UN PROGRAM BUDGET
IN A UNITARY MANNER. AS A CONSEQUENCE, OUR INFLUENCE
AND THAT OF OTHER MAJOR CONTRIBUTORS ON UN PROGRAM
BUDGET IS LIKELY TO SUFFER SINCE OTHERS WILL QUICKLY
LEARN HOW TO MANIPULATE THE SYSTEM TO THEIR OWN ENDS.

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